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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Douglas Quong

Serial No.: 09/425,636

Filed: October 22, 1999

Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: Nguyen, H.

For: **ACTIVE MATERIAL WITHIN HYDROGEL MICROBEADS**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R.
SECTION 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2001, for two (2) months from August 8, 2001, to October 8, 2001. Please charge the fee provided in:

- 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) Extension for response within first month
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- 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) Extension for response within third month
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